UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 28, 2020

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

1-9973

36-3352497

organization) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number) 1400 Toastmaster Elgin, Illinois 60120 Drive, (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (847) 741-3300 (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions: $\hfill\square$ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of Each Class Trading Symbol(s) Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered Common Stock MIDD Nasdaq Global Market Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company \square

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On May 28, 2020, The Middleby Corporation (the "Company") will participate in the KeyBanc Capital Markets Industrials & Basic Materials Conference. A copy of the supplemental presentation materials that will be used during the conference is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be considered "filed" under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into future filings by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, unless the Company expressly sets forth in such future filing that such information is to be considered "filed" or incorporated by reference therein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 The Middleby Corporation supplemental presentation materials dated May 28, 2020.

Exhibit 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

Dated: May 28, 2020 By: <u>/s/ Bryan E. Mittelman</u>

Bryan E. Mittelman Chief Financial Officer



KBCM Virtual Industrials and Basic Materials Conference

May 28, 2020

COVID-19 Implemented Action



COVID-19 UPDATE

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we implemented swift actions to protect our employees, ensure uninterrupted service to our customers and aggressively adjust our business and cost structure for an expected revenue decline. Our businesses in all three segments support an essential daily requirement, food, and thus have been designated as essential in most global locations. We are proud to continue to support our customers, while adhering to strict employee safety standards at all worldwide operations.

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We have implemented the following in response to COVID-19:

- <u>Employee Safety</u> Implemented companywide procedures including enhanced workplace sanitation, travel discontinuation, social distancing, staggered shifts and work-at-home protocols for most non-production employees.
- <u>Customer Support</u> Ensured continued access to customer support, technical service and uninterrupted shipping of service parts and finished goods. Production continued to meet customer demand.
- <u>Cost Initiatives</u> Initiated an aggressive reduction of all controllable and discretionary costs. This included the
 adjustment of global office and production workforces in response to near-term reduced demand levels and
 reduced cash compensation to executives.
- <u>Supply Chain</u> Established a task force to identify and mitigate supply chain disruption and ensure continuity
 of business operations and customer support.
- <u>Liquidity and Cash Flow</u> Reduced capital expenditures for the remainder of year, enhanced working capital
 reduction initiatives, deferred near-term acquisition and business development related investments, and
 discontinued the Middleby share repurchase program.
- COVID-19 Product Introductions Developed and launched products addressing COVID-19 needs, including sterilization units for N95 masks, mobile and touchless handwashing stations, plexiglass safety shields for restaurants and retail locations, mobile foodservice stations and hand and cleaning sanitizer produced at our most recent acquired company Deutsche.

Financial Results



Q1 2020 FINANCIAL RESULTS					
	1Q20	1Q19	Change		
Net Sales	\$677.5	\$686.8	-1.4%		
Gross Profit	250.2	257.3	-2.8%		
% of Sales	36.9%	37.5%			
Operating Income	105.4	101.1	4.3%		
Net Earnings	73.8	69.0	7.0%		
Adjusted EBITDA	137.8	137.8	0.0%		
% of Sales	20.3%	20.1%			
LTM Bank EBITDA as defined in credit agreement	682.6	659.7	3.5%		
Operating Cash Flow	87.1	33.9	156.9%		

RESULTS COMMENTARY

- · Revenue decline of 5.9% organically
- Organic growth at Food Processing of 6.1% offset by declines in Commercial Foodservice (8.7%) and Residential Kitchen (5.0%)
- Commercial Foodservice impacted by COVID-19, initially on our business in China, but also in North America late in the quarter
- Residential Kitchen reflects weakness in the UK market associated with Brexit and Covid-19 impacts globally
- · Strong EBITDA generation and cash flows
- EBITDA margin expansion to 21.3% excluding recent acquisitions
- In spite of challenging market conditions, profitability improvements from integration benefits, cost control, and pricing actions, while continuing to invest in R&D across all segments

Debt and Liquidity



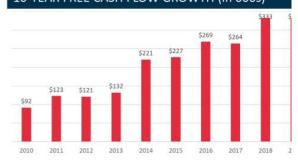
BANK FACILITY OVERVIEW

- · New credit facility established in January 2020
 - 5-year term
 - \$19M annual principal payments in years 1-4
- · \$3.5 billion total availability
 - \$2.75B revolver
 - \$0.75B term loan
- As of Q1 2020
 - Average interest rate 3.3%
 - \$845M of availability
- \$430.6M LTM operating cash flow
- Record operating cash flow for a first quarter at \$87.1M
- · Expected cash flow positive in Q2 2020

Q1 2020 LEVERAGE RATIO (IN \$000S)			
Cash*	31		
Debt	2,19		
Net Debt	1,88		
LTM EBITDA*	68		
Leverage	2.		
Covenant Limit	4.		

^{*} As defined in the credit agreement

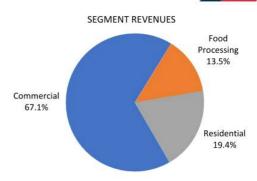
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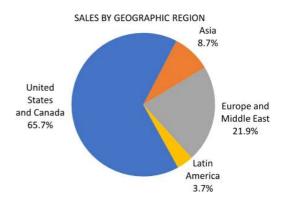


Middleby Segment Summary

MIDD

- · Three industry-leading foodservice platforms
- 100+ highly-respected, leading brands
- Global business infrastructure
- Highly synergistic business segments
- · Technology and innovation leader
- Strong track record of profitability and cash flow





Near-term Business Conditions



Q2 ORDER TRENDS













Commercial Food Service

Our foodservice customers are currently focused on delivery, drive-through and carry-out business and the safety of employees and customers. We are able to support these needs with our existing innovative products and new technology solutions to address workplace safety and continued operating essentials. The strategic investments we have made in the past have well-positioned us for current industry trends. We anticipate new restaurant openings will be impacted, but historically the majority of our sales in this segment are equipment replacement and upgrades.

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Residential Kitchen

At our residential businesses, in both the US and UK markets, the impact of COVID-19 included the widespread closure of our residential dealers' retail sales locations and reduction in traffic due to shelter-in-place restrictions. Although demand will continue to be adversely impacted and uncertain, we have seen a positive benefit as dealer retail locations began to re-open in May.

Food Processing

We entered the year with a record backlog of approximately \$138 million, which grew to approximately \$152 million. In April, customers focused on immediate risks to their business and employees thus pulling focus away from new equipment specifications. End-user demai for our food processing customers has shifted from restaurants to retail grocery stores, impacting sales mix. Sales of hot dogs and other meat products in our core equipment markets have experienced recent increased demand. We are well-positioned to support the demand shift and to support large-scale solutions in this industry.

COVID-19 Restaurant Impacts



Restaurant sales are sequentially improving week over week since March according to multiple restaurant data resources.

Restaurants are rapidly adapting to the new the new norm by:

- Expanding delivery options, including expanding curbside pick-up
- Adding or improving mobile ordering capabilities
- Rapidly adapting menus to support limited staffing, dining, and/or carryout options
- · Restaurants are reopening for dine in
- 36 states dine in partially or planned reopening

MILLERPULSE WEEKLY INDUSTRY SAME STORE SALES, 2020



Middleby Revenue Composition – Commercial Foodservice



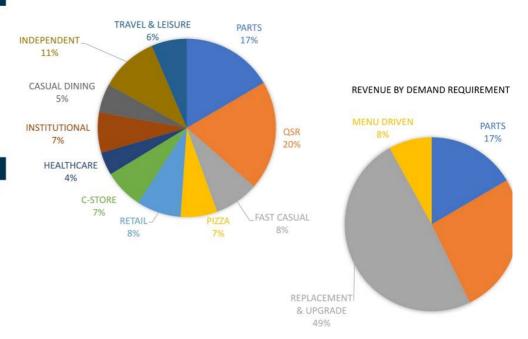
SEGMENT IMPACT

- Quick serve and fast casual fare better as delivery, drive through and carry out support their business
- Pizza performs well as delivery is core large chains to hire 50,000 additional employees
- Retail and c-store customers continue to see demand as customers seek alternative foodservice and avoid dine-in
- · Institutional Healthcare sectors less impacted
- · Casual and fine-dining heavily impacted
- · Travel and leisure significantly impacted

OPERATOR SPENDING

- Near-term focus on replacement, capacity and maintenance of equipment
- Better performing sectors continuing with menu and operational initiatives
- Anticipated spending on employee and customer safety modifications
- Contract and project activity showing early signs of recovery as expected re-openings occur





Trends in the Foodservice Industry

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ACCELERATING TRENDS

- Added focus on off-premise (delivery, carryout and drivethrough)
- · Focus on menu simplification, throughput and space utilization
- Growth in non-traditional foodservice including retail and cstore
- · Labor will continue to be a primary challenge
- New foodservice models will continue including modular, ghost and cloud kitchens
- Remote monitoring and automation
- Safety protocols for employees and customers
- Continued demand trends in healthcare and assisted living

MIDDLEBY SOLUTIONS

- Middleby ventless kitchens for non-traditional and space savings
- Development and launch of Open Kitchen
- Middleby modular and ghost kitchens
- Data intelligence and automation solutions
- Middleby advanced controls
- Middleby touchless and automated Pick-Up Cabinets (PUC)
- Focus on integrated solutions for targeted segments including retail, c-stores, healthcare, and emerging chains

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MIDDLEBY VENTLESS SOLUTIONS





MODULAR AUTOMATED PICK UP CABINETS









MIDDLEBY MODULAR AND GHOST KITCHENS











MIDDLEBY'S NEW LEVEL USER INTI

Over the past year Middleby has made significant dedicated investments in R&D to focus on technology initiatives, solutions for industry trends and invested in targeted growth segments. At result we are well positioned with solutions to address these needs that will accelerate as a resul COVID-19.

COVID-19 Products



We developed and introduced products addressing needs of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- UV Sterilizer
- Safety Shields
- Sanitizer
- · Mobile Hand Washing



brava
N95 MASK UV
STERILIZER
(more sizes available soon)





SAFETY SHIELDS (four off-the-shelf versions and coptions readily available)

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